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Dean made an excellent speech, about the importance of our operations here. Mrs. Rusk followed, with comments on the activities of women in the Foreign Service.

E and I went down afterwards to Albert Hall, for the second World Congress of Man-made Fibres. The ceremony was opened by Tommy Davies, the Chairman, who introduced the Queen Mother. She held forth gracefully on the importance of man-made fibres to British industries. Then the chief speaker, Jean Monnet, delivered a philosophical, and I thought magisterial, discourse on European unity, and what might develop as a result of UK entry into the Common Market. It was an uncommon and notable oration. I sat next to Sylvia Monnet, who told me that their daughter, Marianne, was to be married in July, to a young French mathematician.

Lunched at the office. In the late afternoon, I went to meet Jacqueline and Jean de Caraman-Chimay at Quaglino's, where Jacqueline autographed for the guests copies of her book "The Life and Times of Madame Veuve Clicquot-Ponsardin The occasion represented the centenary of the association between the house of Veuve Clicquot and H. Parrot & Co., of London.

For days, picketers have been sloping around Grosvenor Square, with placards remonstrating against the renewal by the U.S. of nuclear tests. Four members of the Committee of One Hundred have on two occasions staged a sit-down performance on the ground floor of the Embassy, until carried out by the police. Since the renewal of tests, we have received over 1400 letters of protest.

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Tonight, the Rusks and ourselves went to a dinner given by Lord and Lady Home for the CENTO delegations at Hampton Court Palace. The Palace and its grounds were beautiful. There are over 1,000 rooms; it is the largest royal

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Transcending all other concerns, is the presence, in both arsenals, of nuclear weapons. The discoveries of scientists have surpassed the present capacity of statesmen to master the applied results. In the conflict between Islam and Christianity, to which I have already referred, the annihilation of the human species was never at stake. There would always, even after complete victory, have been conquered survivors, reduced, it might be, to slavery, but not to extinction.

Today, the picture is far gloomier. The antagonists might entirely devour each other. Why then, realizing the gravity of the situation, has no accommodation been reached between East and West? An unbiased record would, I think, show that the offers of the West, looking to a reasonable composition of differences, have been rejected by the intransigent East.

I have no apologies to make for my own Government's unremitting efforts to put an end to nuclear tests, and to reach agreement on disarmament measures. When we had a monopoly of nuclear weapons, we offered to turn it over to an international body. This was rejected by the Soviets.

My country has started no war in this century so studded with battles. We have shared our abundance with friends and foes. Communist allegations have charged that our foreign policy is directed toward the subversion, or overthrow by physical violence, of the Communist system. The veriest child can recognize the hollowness of such propaganda. We do not nourish inveterate antipathies.

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